

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following Abstract:

A method enabling a person to visualise images including encoding spatial information relating to a feature or features contained within an image into the form of one or more musical sequences, and playing the musical sequence or sequences to the person.

Please amend the title of the invention as follows:

~~VISUALISING IMAGES~~ METHOD AND DEVICE FOR VISUALISING IMAGES THROUGH SOUND

On page 2, 3rd paragraph, line 2:

The approach to develop a sensory aid based on sensory substitution was guided by knowledge of the structure ~~and~~ and functional organization of the visual system and by neurophysiological, psychophysical and behavioral studies on visual system recognition in a variety of animals.

On page 10, 2nd paragraph line 2:

Returning to the specific example shown in Figure 1, it can be seen that movement of the cursor 12 over the ~~figure~~ feature 10 will result in the playing of a musical sequence on which the ascending notes G, A, B, C of the second lowest octave and C, D, E, F of the second highest octave are played in succession.

On page 12, 3rd paragraph line 3:

Predetermined features can be extract ~~form~~ from the image, and said predetermined features may be encoded into a musical sequence or sequences.

On page 12, last line:

These included (1) a facility to mask or block out areas ~~areas~~ of the image to enable the subject to carry out a patch by patch exploration and analysis of the target and to selectively examine portions of the image.

On page 23, 3rd paragraph line 9:

A small video camera can be used as part of a portable device: the video camera can be incorporated into a hand-held "~~wand~~ wand."